

LEIGHTON-LINSLADE TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF PLANNING & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 19 AUGUST 2020 AT 7.30 PM

Present: Councillors M Freeman (Chair)
 A Dodwell
 D Bowater
 K Cursons
 J Silverstone
 S Owen
 S Jones
 C Palmer

Also in attendance: M Saccoccio, Town Clerk
 S Sandiford, Head of Democratic and Central
 Services
 Ian Haynes, Head of Grounds and Environmental
 Services

Members of the public: 7
Members of the press 0

110/P APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received and were accepted from Councillors D Scott, G Perham (substituted by S Jones) and F Kharawala (substituted by C Palmer).

111/P DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to declare any interests, including the nature of those interests, which they had in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

Councillor Bowater declared an interest as a substitute member of the Central Bedfordshire Development Management Committee and would abstain from voting on planning applications for discussion.

Councillors A Dodwell and M Freeman both advised they had been contacted by residents regarding application CB/20/02528 (97 South Street) but had discussed only process, not the application itself.

112/P QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 minutes per person; maximum 15 minutes)

There were no questions from the public.

113/P MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Committee received the minutes of the Planning and Transport Committee meeting held on 22 July 2020.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning and Transport Committee meeting held 22 July 2020 be approved as a correct record and would be signed at a later date, when safe to do so.

114/P PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee reviewed applications received up until 14 August 2020.

RESOLVED to recommend to Central Bedfordshire Council that no objection be made to application reference CB/20/02563 (38 Hydrus Drive), subject to Central Bedfordshire Council having no concerns regarding highways safety or loss of off road car parking.

RESOLVED to express concerns to Central Bedfordshire Council regarding application reference CB/20/02507 (67 North Street) and ask them to take into account any potential future issues arising from the neighbouring long-established business uses (e.g. noise, odour) which might have a perceived impact on future residential occupiers.

RESOLVED to recommend to Central Bedfordshire Council objection to application reference CB/20/02371 (113 Camberton Road) on the following grounds:

- That the enclosure of amenity land would be contrary to its original purpose of providing relief within the estate layout to the detriment of residents and users of the footpath.

RESOLVED to recommend to Central Bedfordshire Council no objection to application reference CB/20/02718/LB (10 North Street), but the Council would ask for a condition to be added such that the existing UVPC windows be replaced with sash windows which would be more in keeping with the historic nature of the listed building and the surrounding properties.

RESOLVED to recommend to Central Bedfordshire Council objection to application reference CB/20/02528 (97 South Street) on the grounds of overlooking from the proposed Juliet balcony and loss of light to the neighbouring property by virtue of the bulk and massing of the rear extensions.

RESOLVED to recommend to Central Bedfordshire Council that no objection be made to the following planning applications:

1. CB/20/02623/LDCP 65 BLENHEIM ROAD
2. CB/20/02577/LDCP 6 GIBSON DRIVE

3. CB/20/02587/LDCP	2 ORCHARD DRIVE, LINSLADE
4. CB/20/02589/DOC	65 MILL ROAD
5. CB/20/02485	79 GOLDEN RIDDY, LINSLADE
6. CB/20/02566	37 PLANTATION ROAD
7. CB/20/02547	19 LOVENT DRIVE
8. CB/20/02457/DOC	CHAMBERLAINS BARN QUARRY, HEATH ROAD
9. CB/20/02503	19 HEATH PARK DRIVE
10. CB/20/02462/DOC	LAND AT GROVEBURY ROAD
11. CB/20/02425/DOC	MULBERRY HOUSE, 95A PLANTATION ROAD
12. CB/20/02376	49 ROOSEVELT AVENUE
13. CB/20/02509	453 BIDEFORD GREEN
14. CB/20/02510/ADV	ALDI, VIMY ROAD
15. CB/20/02668/ CB/20/02669/LB	33-51 NORTH STREET
16. CB/20/02719	35 CLARIDGE CLOSE
17. CB/20/02546	34 THE MALTINGS
18. CB/20/02706	18 SHEPHERDS MEAD
19. CB/20/02628/LDCP	73 BILLINGTON ROAD
20. CB/20/02675/DOC	APEX PARK (FORMERLY PART OF CLIPSTONE PARK

RESOLVED to recommend to Central Bedfordshire Council that no objection be made to application reference CB/20/02686/VOC (39 CENTAURI CLOSE), as long as the planning authority was satisfied that there was no other reasonable solution other than removal of the eucalyptus tree.

A brief explanation was given concerning discharge of conditions as compared to removal of conditions.

115/P **TRANSPORT MATTERS**

The Committee received a report in respect of the long-standing issues with the bollards and safety railings on the junction of Vimy Road/Leighton Road. Concerns had been raised on a number of occasions, but no remedial action had been undertaken. Concerns for pedestrian safety on this key route into the town centre were ongoing and it was noted that the current temporary pedestrianisation of the High Street could result in a further increase in pedestrian traffic, with people parking at Tesco in order to walk into the High Street. It was proposed that a formal representation be made at a senior level in Central Bedfordshire Council to try to get this matter progressed effectively and quickly.

RESOLVED to request the Town Clerk to make a representation to Central Bedfordshire Council on behalf of the Committee, to raise its concerns regarding pedestrian safety and the condition of bollards and

railings at the junction of Vimy Road and Leighton Road.

116/P INFORMATION ITEMS

The Committee noted the changes to the planning system being proposed by Government and it was agreed to ask a planning officer from Central Bedfordshire Council to attend a future committee meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.48 pm.

I HEREBY CONFIRM THAT THE FOREGOING IS A CORRECT AND ACCURATE RECORD OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 19 AUGUST 2020.

Chair

9 SEPTEMBER 2020